## State of Wisconsin\Government Accountability Board

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State Senator Robert L. Cowles 2<sup>nd</sup> Senate District 300 West St. Joseph Street, #23 Green Bay, Wisconsin 54301-2328

Via U.S. Mail and Email (senrobertcowles@gmail.com)

Re:

Committee to Recall Cowles

WGAB #0600011

**Dear Senator Cowles:** 

This correspondence and enclosures is notice to you that a recall committee has registered with the Government Accountability Board and intends to circulate a recall petition for your office.

Please find enclosed a copy of the recall registration statement (GAB 1) filed by the Committee to Recall Cowles. In addition, please also find enclosed a copy of correspondence to the Committee to Recall Cowles regarding their recall petition effort.

Please note that the G.A.B. recall manual is located on our web site at the following link and may answer questions you may have about the recall process:

http://gab.wi.gov/sites/default/files/publication/65/recall manual for congressiona county and state 82919.pdf

Please find enclosed a Memorandum prepared by the G.A.B. regarding ethics matters relating to recalls generally. Please also take note the exemption from contribution limits for recall expenses expires at the order for the recall election or end of the challenge of the order. Thereafter, regular campaign finance limits found in Sec. 11.26, Wis. Stats., apply for the period to circulate nomination papers and through the recall election. If you have any questions regarding the Memorandum or campaign finance matters, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Finally, it would be helpful to our office if you would identify a point of contact, including mailing address, email address, and telephone number, so that we may be able to reach you in the future. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (608) 266-2094 or email me at <a href="mailto:Shane.Falk@wi.gov">Shane.Falk@wi.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD

Shane W. Falk Staff Counsel

**Enclosures**